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In re Application of: ISHIHARA et al.

Serial No.: 09/866,541 Filed: May 29, 2001

Title: GAME SYSTEM USING GAME CARDS

AND GAME MACHINE

DECISION ON PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.59

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.59(b), filed August 11, 2005 with request for reconsideration filed June 29, 2006 (with copy resubmitted May 24, 2007) to expunge information from the above identified application.

The petition is granted.

Petitioner requests that one page of information unintentionally submitted as "letter from the Yamada Patent Office" filed on July 22, 2005 be expunged from the record. Petitioner properly states that the information submitted was unintentionally submitted and the failure to obtain its return would cause irreparable harm to the party who submitted the information or to the party in interest on whose behalf the information was submitted, and the information has not otherwise been made public. The petition fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(g) has been paid.

The information in question has been determined by the undersigned to not be material to the examination of the instant application. Applicant is required to retain the expunged material(s) for the life of any patent which issues on the above-identified application.

The expunged material has been removed from the official file. It has been closed from public view.

Any questions regarding this decision should be directed to J. Harrison, Technology Center 3700 Special Programs Examiner at 571-272-4449

PETITION GRANTED

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